

## PLAYER CONDUCT AND SAFETY FORM

Regulations regarding player conduct and safety information are the responsibility of the team member. Please read them carefully. No team will be accepted unless these forms are signed by all players and turned in at the time of registration. A copy will be made for the manager upon request.

## PLAYING TIMES & SITES

Days/Times: Monday-Friday, 6, 7 & 8pm

Sunday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Location: Maines Field

## BATS

All bats must be stamped with ASA  
approved stamp.

Can still use Approved Bat List from 2014 season.

**Umpires have consent to check all bats  
prior to the start of the game.**



## PLAYERS POOL

If you are seeking additional players for your team, please consider individuals from our players pool. We will receive many more names to add to this pool. An updated list may be received from the Parks & Recreation Office during the player add period. Please call the office if you add one of these players to your team so we take the name off the pool.

## SCHEDULES AVAILABLE

Season schedules may be picked up at the Parks & Rec. Dept. or emailed to the team manager. Team balances must be paid in full, along with original rosters and player conduct and safety form signed and turned in in order to receive schedules.

Tuesday, April 24, after 2:00 p.m.

**It is the responsibility of the team manager to pick up the schedules at the Parks & Rec. Dept.**

## RESERVING PRACTICE FIELDS

Teams who have registered, paid in full and turned in all forms, rosters and player conduct forms may reserve practice fields as soon as the DPW deem them playable. A team may reserve two practice fields at a time, but may not reserve additional fields until these two dates have passed.

You may reserve a field by calling the Recreation Dept. (587-1040) or coming in person. If you have made your reservation by phone you **must** pick up your field permit the day before or the field **may be reassigned**. The reservation form is important to have with you in case there are others on the field you reserved. *No practices are allowed at Maines field.*

**Requests** - Any date(s) your team cannot play **must** be clearly indicated when you turn in your information. Please indicate the dates on the front of your roster form. It is **not** guaranteed you won't play those dates but we will try to accommodate. We are unable to grant requests to never play on Sundays. It is virtually impossible due to the large number of games scheduled on that day. You may request a couple of them off or that Sunday morning or late afternoon is better. If you request a weekday off, please be aware you may have to play some double headers on Sundays. We **cannot** schedule games around other towns leagues or tournaments. No games (regular season, playoffs, or rain-outs) will be switched once they are scheduled. Playoffs will be scheduled immediately at the conclusion of the regular season. We cannot accommodate any scheduling requests for playoffs. For teams who play in both men's and coed, we will not schedule playoff games at conflicting times.



# 2018 Northampton Parks & Recreation Men's Softball League



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## NORTHAMPTON PARKS & RECREATION

**League Director:** John Knowles, Recreation Supervisor  
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### League Starting Date:

Men's: Tuesday, May 1  
Continues through the end of July/beginning of Aug.

### ENTRY FEE

Our forfeit fee is built into the total fee so the ump's are paid, even when teams forfeit. Teams that do not forfeit will receive the entire amount back at the end of the season.

**League Fee:** \$340 per team  
\$120 (Forfeit fee)  
\$460

**Plus:** \$15 per player fee (non-refundable)\*

**Each team must pay umpires \$20 per team at the field. During the Playoff Finals (two umpires per game) the fee is \$24 per team a game.**

Additional non-resident and/or extra player fees may apply. All checks payable to City of Northampton. Any check returned will be subject to a \$25 service charge. Balances then must be paid in cash. Teams will be dropped from the league unless balance is paid in full.

**\*Player fees are non-refundable and non-transferable once the season has started.**

### ROSTERS

**Please print or type clearly.** All changes must be in writing on the league add/drop form and be accompanied with all appropriate fees as specified in the league rules. Players must provide complete addresses on rosters. Non roster players found participating on teams will make teams forfeit the remainder of the season, including games played, with players suspended from future league play.

### EXTRA PLAYERS FEE

There is a \$10.00/player fee for every player on the roster above 15 for the Men's League.

### DIVISIONS

#### North and South

- North is more competitive than South
- **New: All play a 18 game schedule with double elimination playoffs**
- No Scorekeepers will be used

Be sure to indicate your preference of division on your roster form. **The division your team plays in will be decided by Park & Recreation staff,** but your preference will be considered. Final team placements will be decided according to the roster you submit. ***Final league standings/playoffs will be used to determine where teams play in future leagues/division.***

### GAME SCORES

The winning team manager is responsible for calling or emailing the Parks & Rec. Department the game score the next day. Please stay on top of this as it is hard at the end of the season to try to find all the scores.

### HOME RUN RULE

Teams at Maines Field are allowed only **3 home runs** per game. All subsequent home runs after this limit has been reached will result in an out.

### Registration DEADLINE:

**Thursday, April 12**

All fees, rosters, proofs and the signed player conduct form must be turned in by this time. All must be turned in together. Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis. There is limited space in the league.

The Northampton Parks & Recreation Department operations and programs are partially funded by City tax dollars. Therefore, non-residents must pay an additional fee for all programs. \*Reduction in non-resident fees.

### Player Eligibility

A. **Residents** - Anybody whose primary residence is in or owns property in Northampton is considered a Northampton resident. Players who are trying to meet this requirement **must** have their residence or property listed on the roster so it can be confirmed. Teams that misrepresent addresses to meet the residency requirement may be dropped from the league.

B. **Non-Resident Who Works in City** - An adult whose primary residence is not in the City, but works in the City, must pay an **additional \$10**.

C. **Non-residents** - must pay an additional **\$15 each**.

D. **Non-Hampshire County Residents - \$20 each**

a. Each team is allowed a maximum of three non-Hampshire County residents. The eligibility of these players is at the discretion of the Recreation Commission and/or the Director of Recreation.

b. Out of County residents must be listed on the originally submitted team roster.

c. The Recreation Dept. may decide the player is "too talented" for the level of competition in the division and reserves the right to remove the player from the roster. In this case, any non-res fees involved will be refunded.

★ Maximum \$150 for all non-resident fees other than entry and player fees.

**Proof of residency or place of employment for all new players must be submitted with your roster.**

Xerox copies, with all copied on the least amount of pages possible, are required. All must be submitted together. Proof may consist of a copy of a pay stub, license, or a recent bill, for example. Information must be current. Official Personnel Director letters only are accepted as a proof letter from a business. Phone book listings must list the full name. City Census will also be checked to verify addresses.